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## **Technology of the SCAPS**

**Investigative Sensors and Tools**



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# *Technology of the SCAPS*

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- **S**ite
- **C**haracterization and
- **A**nalysis
- **P**enetrometer
- **S**ystem



# ***Talking Points***

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- **SCAPS Overview**
  - **Technology and Tools**
  - **Production and Cost Savings**
  - **Conclusion**



# ***SCAPS Overview***

- **SCAPS Funded by Army Environmental Center (AEC)**
- **Tri-Service Effort**
  - **Air Force Developed Tunable Laser System (ROST)**
  - **Army Developed Laser Induced Fluorescence Probe and Delivery System**
  - **Navy Developed Nitrogen Laser System**
- **Six Government Owned Trucks**



# ***SCAPS Overview***

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- **Speed Site Characterization of Military Installations**
  - **Monitor Implemented Remedial Actions**
  - **Decrease Cost**



# ***SCAPS Overview***



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# ***Technology and Tools***

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- **Laser Induced Fluorescence (LIF) Probe with Stratigraphy Sensor - Developed by Army**
- **Power Punch <sup>TM</sup> - Developed by Geo Insight <sup>TM</sup>**
- **HydroSparge and Direct Sample Ion Trap Mass Spectrometer (DSITMS) - Developed by Oak Ridge National Laboratory**
- **Membrane Interface Probe to Detect Chlorinated Compounds - Developed by Geoprobe Systems <sup>TM</sup>**
- **Video Probe - Commercially Available from ARA**



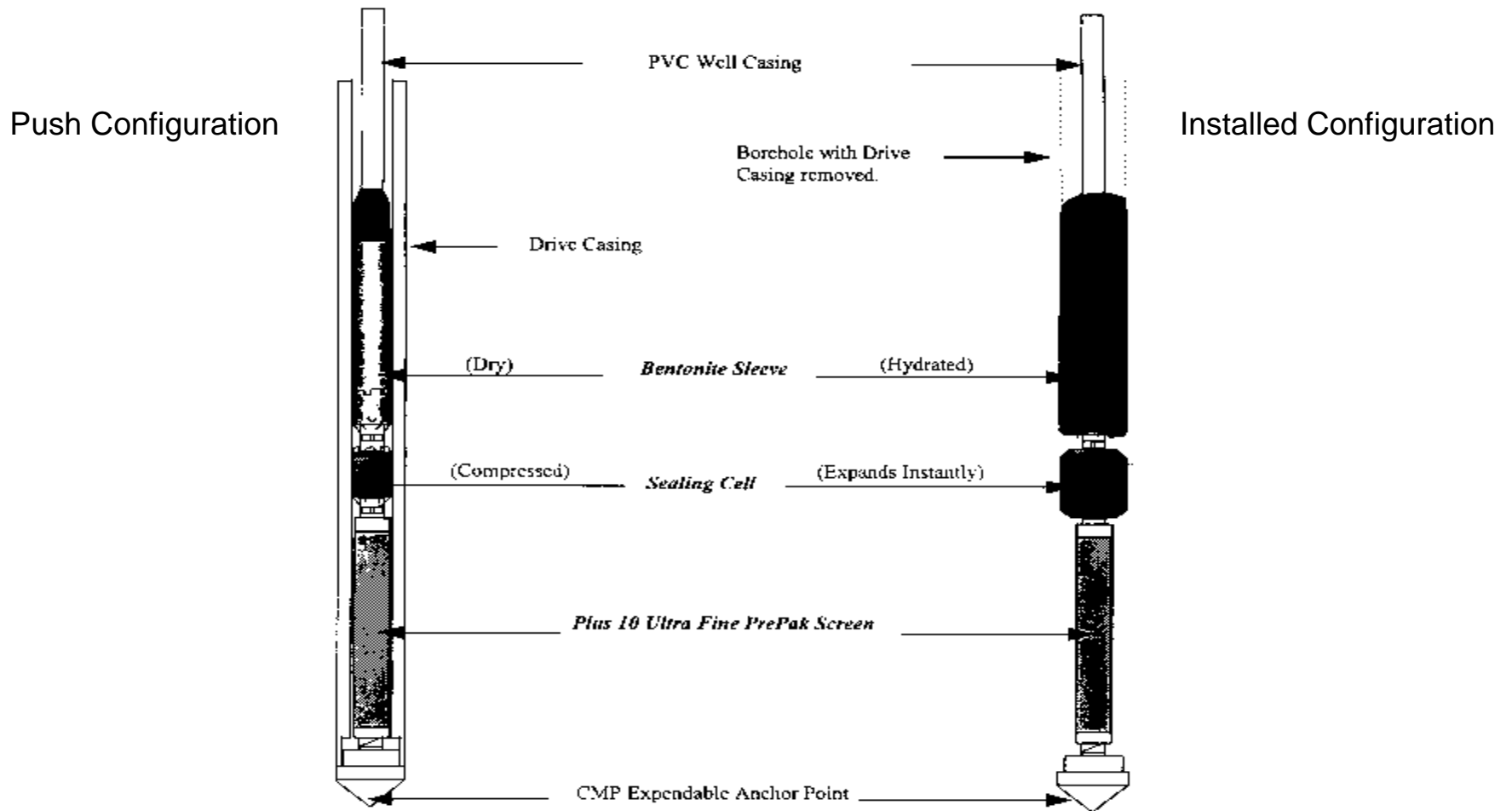
# ***Laser Induced Fluorescence (LIF)***

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- **Employs ROST Laser or Nitrogen Laser Systems**
- **Defines Horizontal and Vertical extent of POL's**
- **Defines Subsurface Stratigraphy**
- **Readings are Taken Every 4 Inches Vertically**
- **Newer Laser Systems Define POL Type with Post Processing**
- **Laser Systems are Commercially Available**

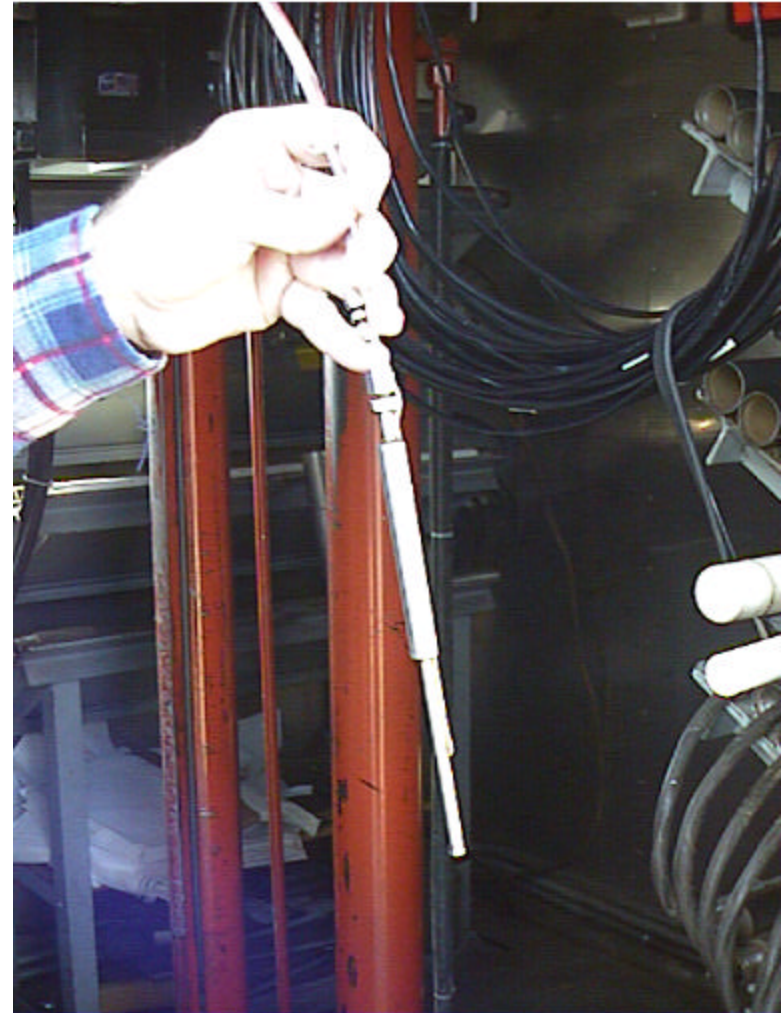


# Power Punch



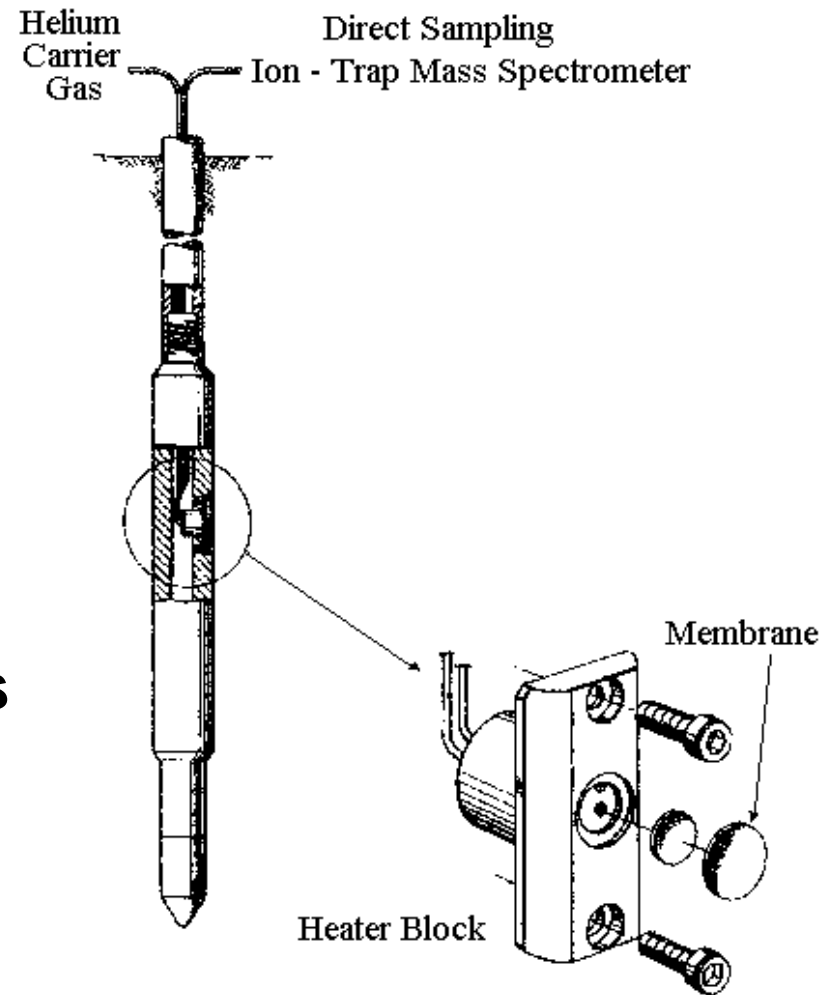
# HydroSparge

- Collects and Detects Volatile Organic Compounds in Groundwater
- Employs a Direct Sample Ion Trap Mass Spectrometer (DSITMS) for Analysis
- Contamination Identification and Quantification
- DSITMS Field Method - 8265 Accepted by EPA



# *Membrane Interface Probe (MIP)*

- Defines Volatile Organic Compounds - Not Medium Specific as HydroSparge
- Multiple Samples may be Collected with Depth
- Sample Intervals are User Defined
- SCAPS Currently Uses a DSITMS for Onboard Analysis  
Other Detectors may be Used
- SCAPS MIP also Defines Subsurface Stratigraphy





# ***MIP Advantages***

- In Field identification of contaminant distribution
- Field quantification possible between 300 ppb and 100,000 ppb using ion trap mass spectrometer
- Field identification of volatile organic compounds when using ion trap mass spectrometer
- SCAPS MIP has grout through the tip capability
- Enormous amount of data can be generated in short time period
- Sample interval can be selected as long as minimum separation > 1 foot



## ***MIP Disadvantages***

- **Enormous amount of data can be generated**
- **Sampling requires a pause in push advance, MIP takes longer than other types of direct pushes**
- **Mass spectrometer cannot distinguish isomers of same compound**
- **Heater block and selective membrane are individually produced, replacement may change system operating parameters ( heating rate differs or to higher temperature, different sensitivity to lower contaminant concentrations)**



# ***Video Probe***

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- **Real Time Video of Subsurface**
  - **Grain Size Analysis**
  - **Thin Stratigraphic Layer Delineation**



# ***Production***

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- **SCAPS has been to 37 Air Force Bases**
  - **Production Example of In-Situ Sensors**
  - **Production Example of Chemical Sensors**



## ***Production of In-Situ Sensors***

	<b>First Trip 5 Days</b>			<b>Second Trip 7 Days</b>		
	<b>Total Footage</b>	<b>Total Pushes</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Total Footage</b>	<b>Total Pushes</b>	<b>Average</b>
<b>LIF</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>2,052</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Soil Sample</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>PrePush</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Sample Point</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,863</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>3,566</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>38</b>

Days do not include Mob/Demob time





# ***Production of Chemical Sensors***

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■ Total Pushes	54
■ Total Days	24
■ Number of Samples Analyzed	702
■ Average Depth	50
■ Total Depth	2,677



# ***Cost Savings Example***



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# ***Conclusion***

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**Questions?**

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